

Secure...

Cryptographic Time-Stamps

Through Transient Key  
Technology

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## We Will Describe A System That...

- Is a method of self-validating proof of time
- Creates Cryptographic Timestamps that never expire
- Is a fully distributed system
- Is immune from the compromise of secret keys
- Is independent of a Trusted Third Party
- Creates a network of validation & verification

# The ProofMark System™ Can Be Used To Prove Integrity And Time Existence...

Original Data

...010001100...

...For Any Set Of Data

...Or Any Record

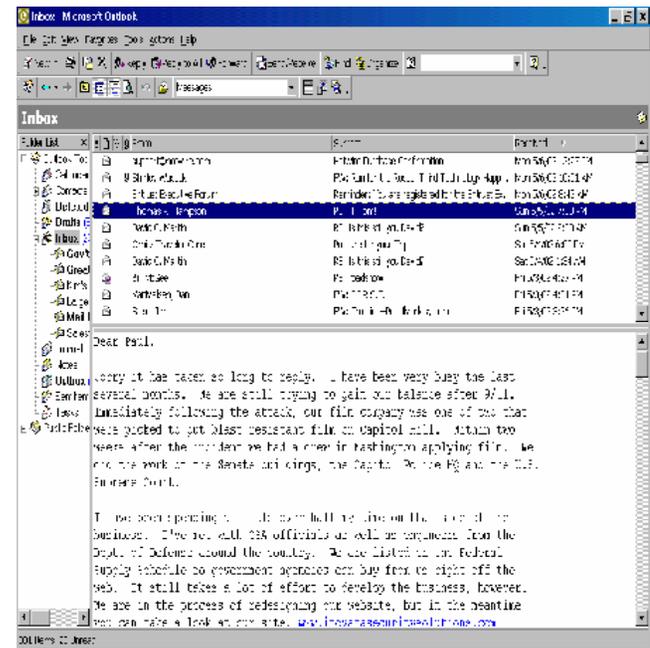
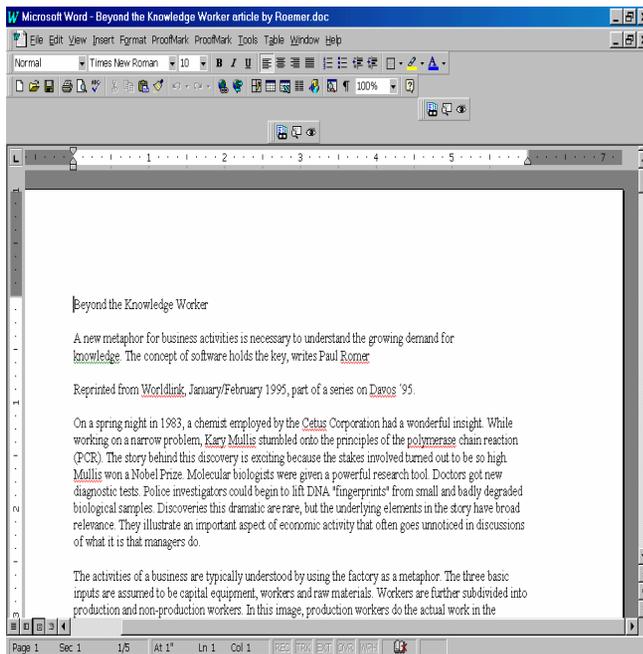
## Regardless Of The Application... We Can Enable You To Create And Maintain Proof

...010001100...

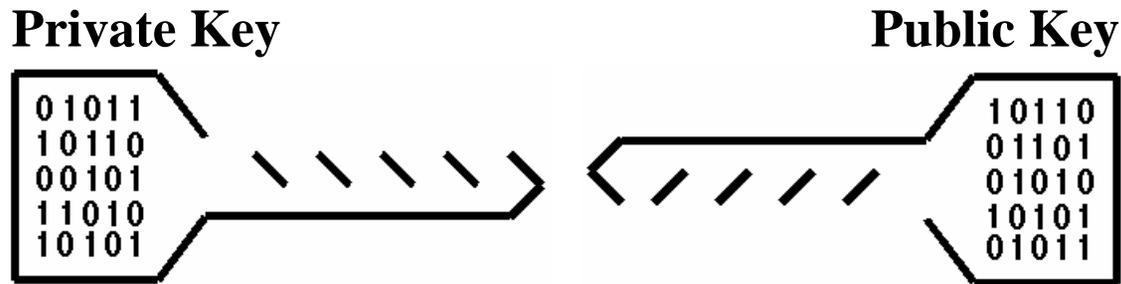
OR

...110001101...

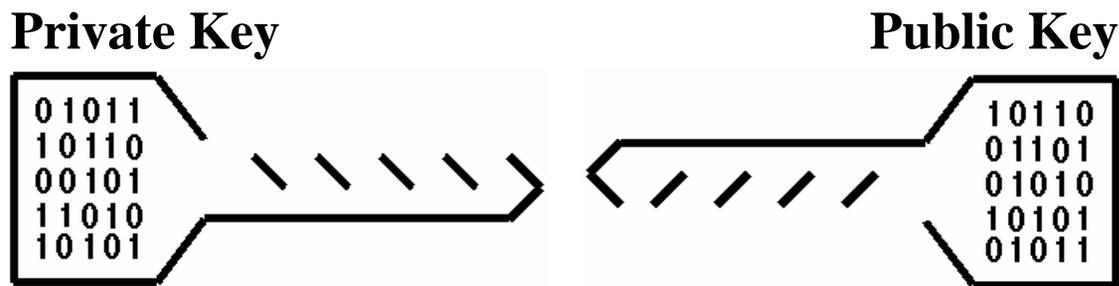
OR



We use asymmetric cryptography...  
...but we use it in a new way.

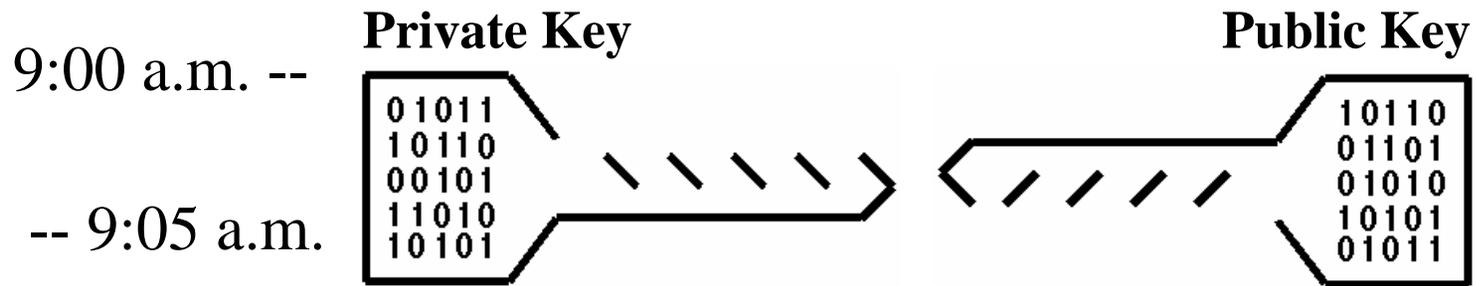


Rather than issuing the Private/Public Key pair to an organization or individual...



... We issue them to Time!

Not Time the continuum...



...Time the Interval!

# Time the Interval!

Original Data

...010001100...

Input

9:00 a.m. --

**Private Key**

01011  
10110  
00101  
11010  
10101

-- 9:05 a.m.

**Public Key**

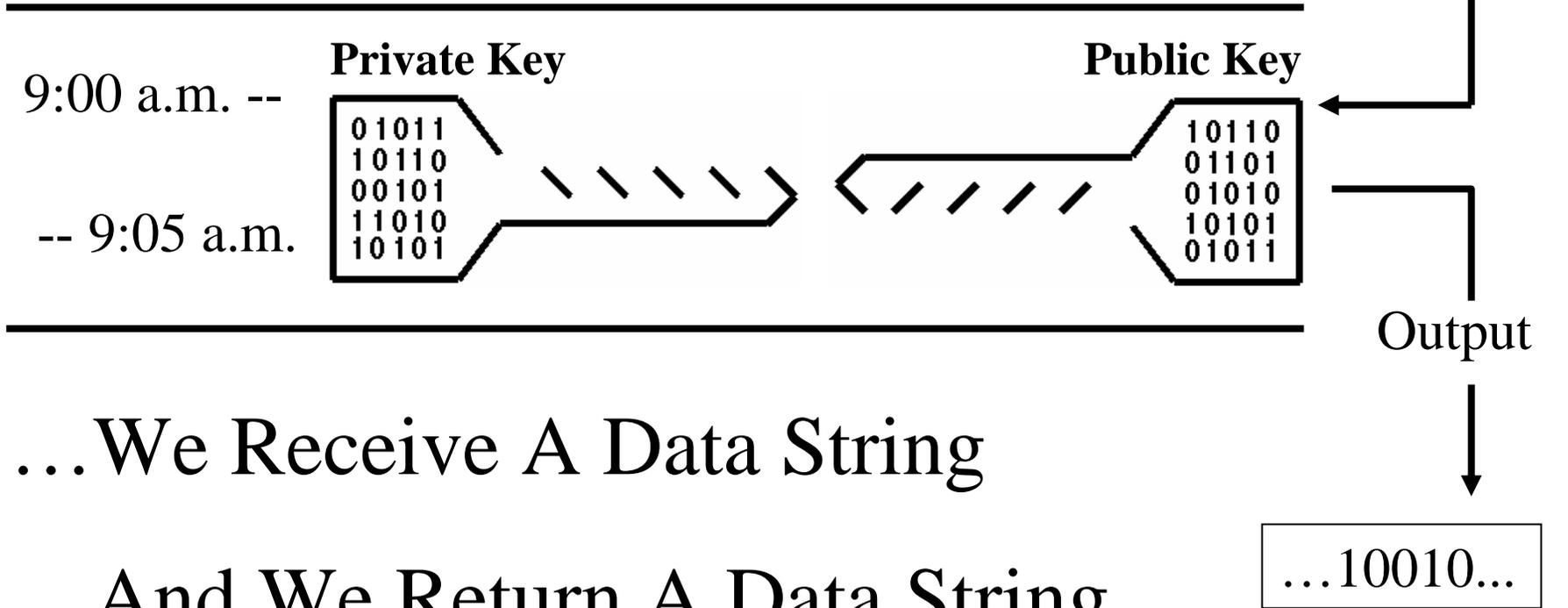
10110  
01101  
01010  
10101  
01011

Output

... We Receive A Data String

... And We Return A Data String

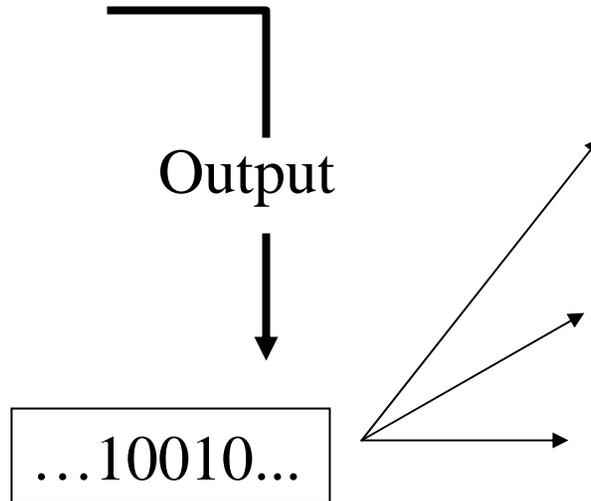
...10010...



The ProofMark  
Certificate  
Contains Three  
Critical Elements

Original Data

...010001100...



## ProofMark Certificate

1.) Original Data

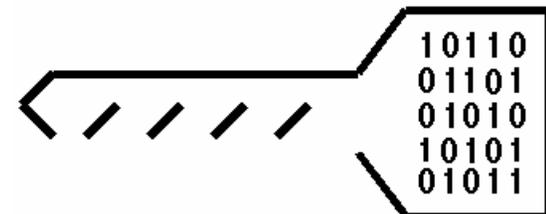
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2.) Signature on data from Private Key

X35GJLA92XA!A69...

3.) Time Interval's Public Key

### Public Key



## ProofMark Certificate

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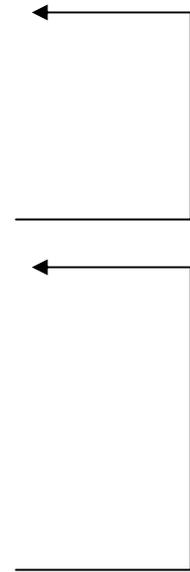
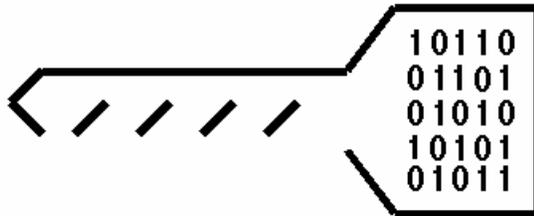
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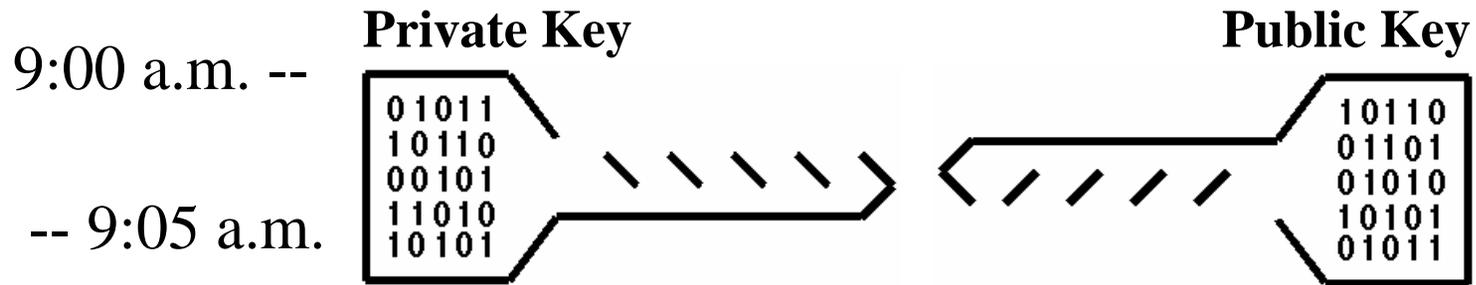
3.) Time Interval's Public Key

**Public Key**

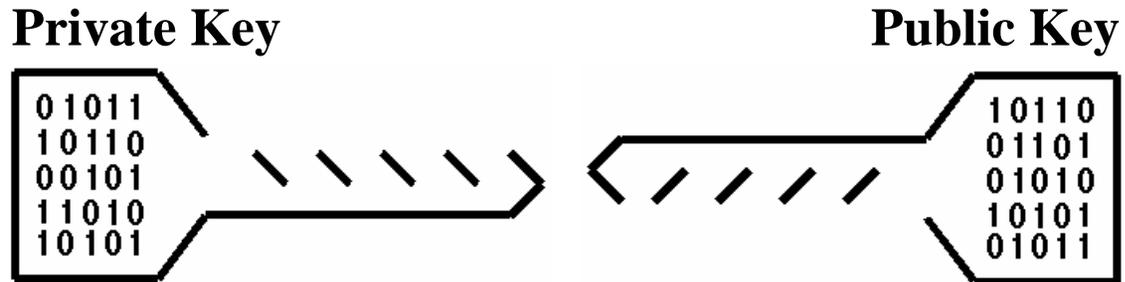
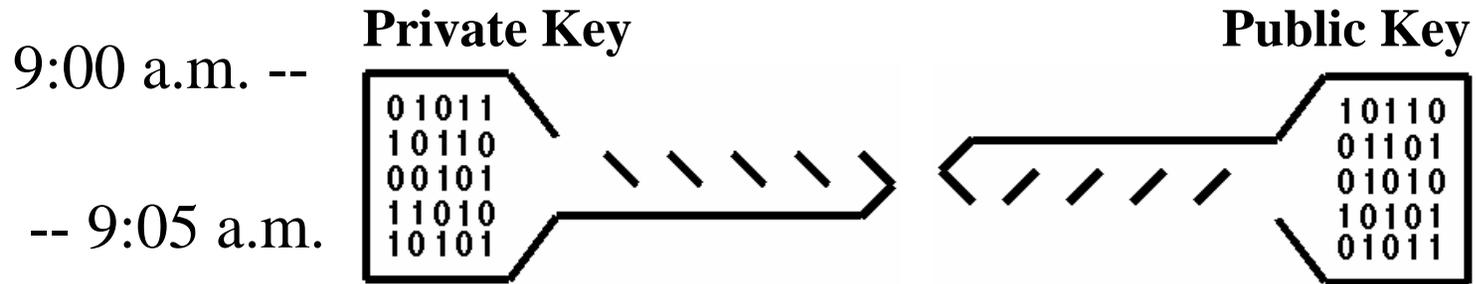


If the Public Key applied to the Signature Resolves to the Original Data...then there is mathematical integrity self-contained within the output!

# Now, Back to the Server...



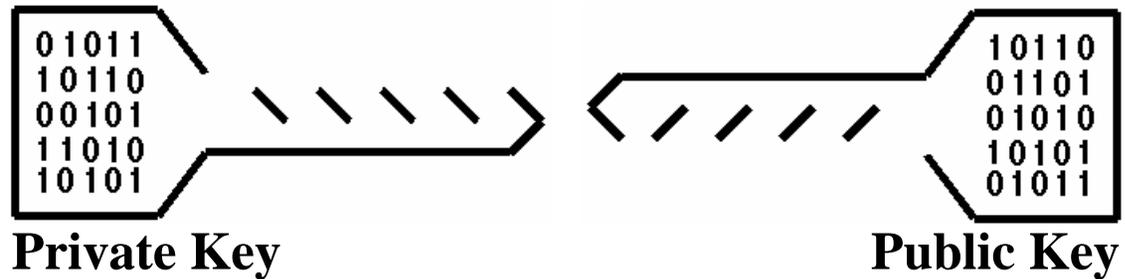
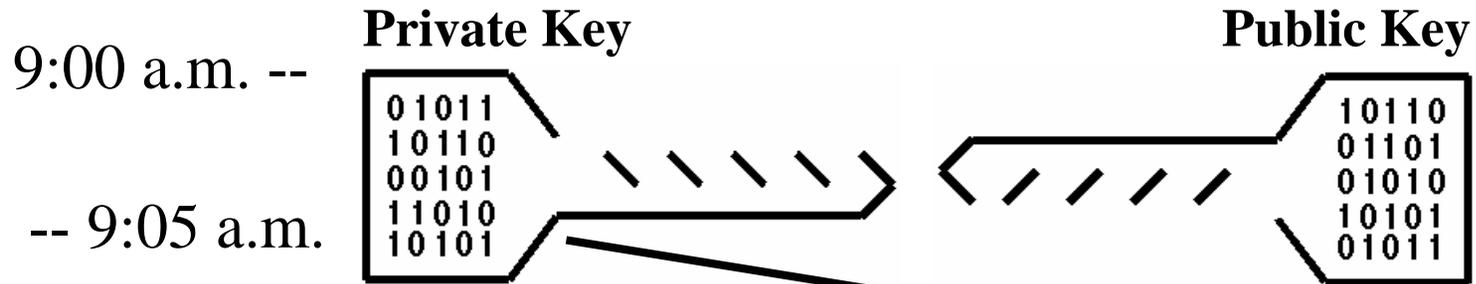
# The Last Thing that Happens During the Interval...



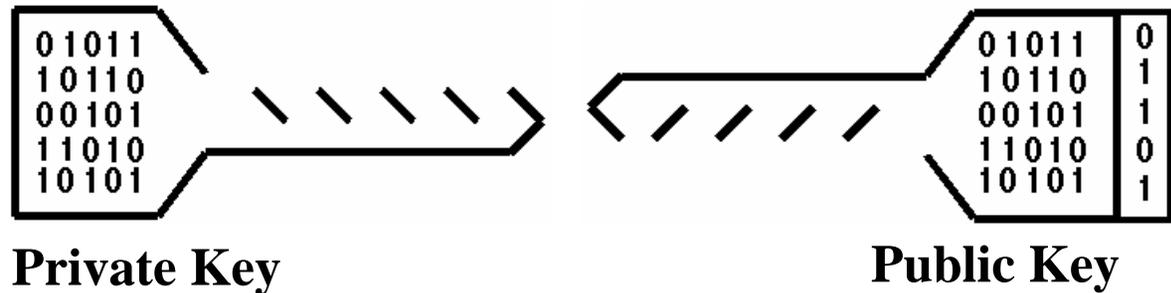
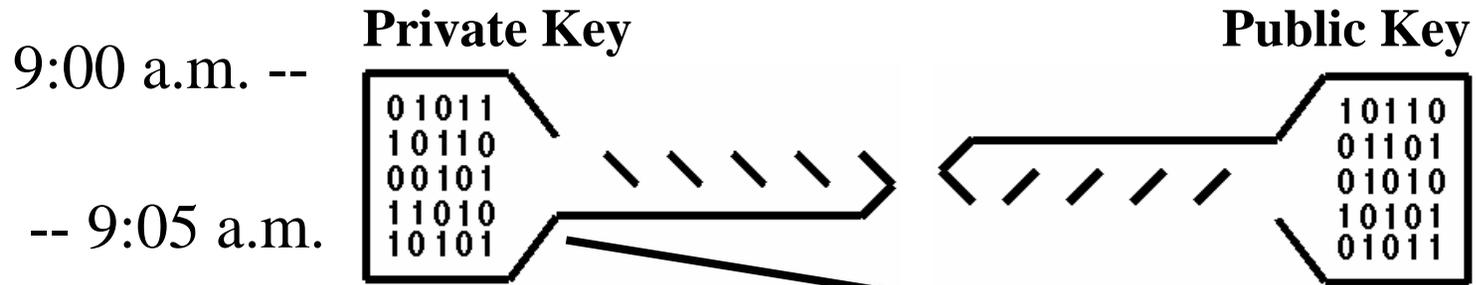
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...Is that Independently a New Pair of Keys is Generated.

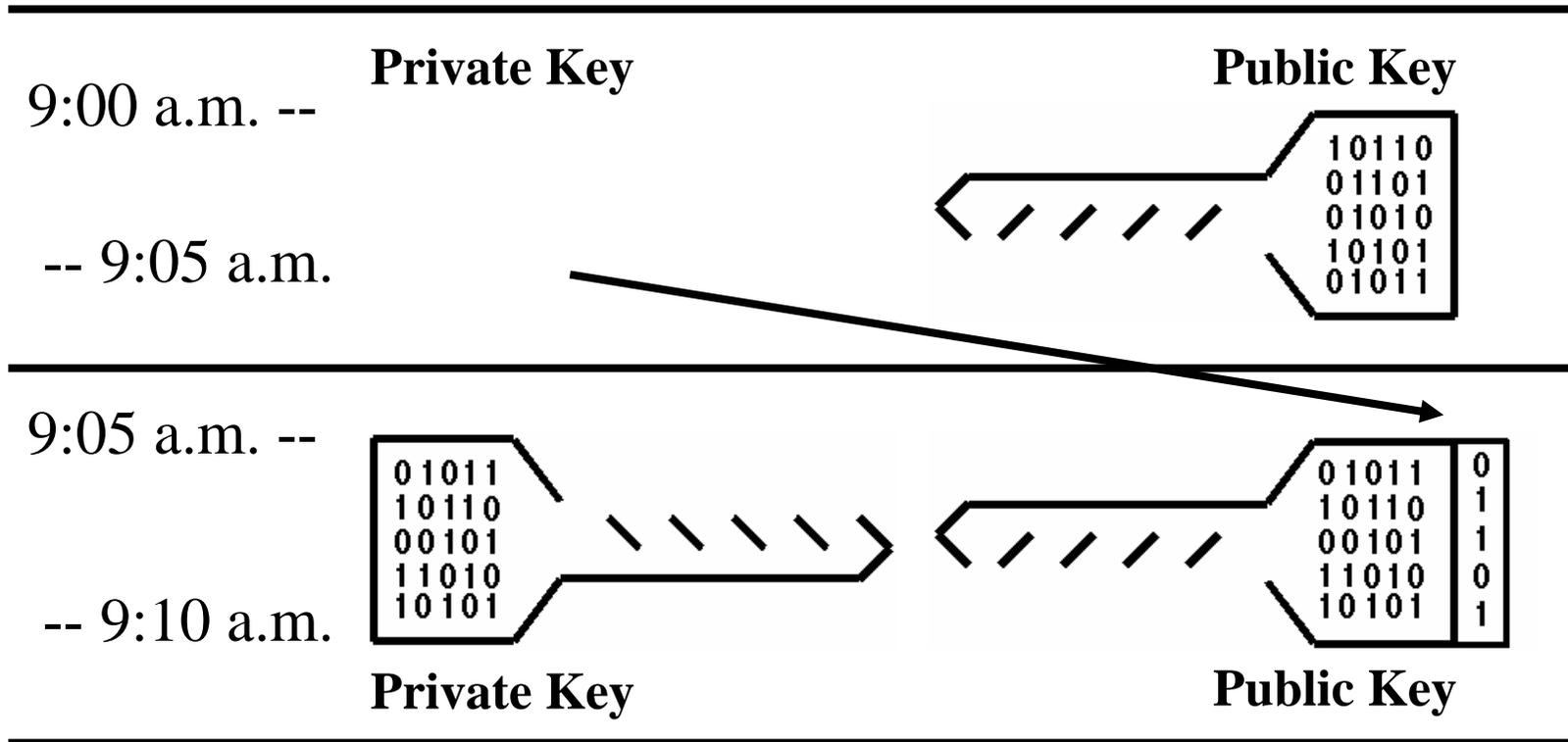
# The Current Private Key Signs the New Public Key



# Signature on New Public Key Created

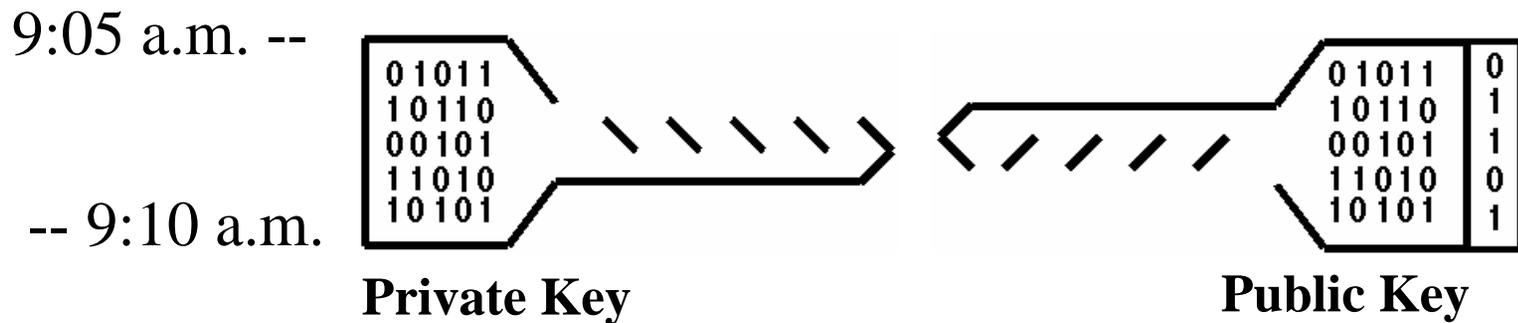


# And the Old Private Key Is Destroyed...

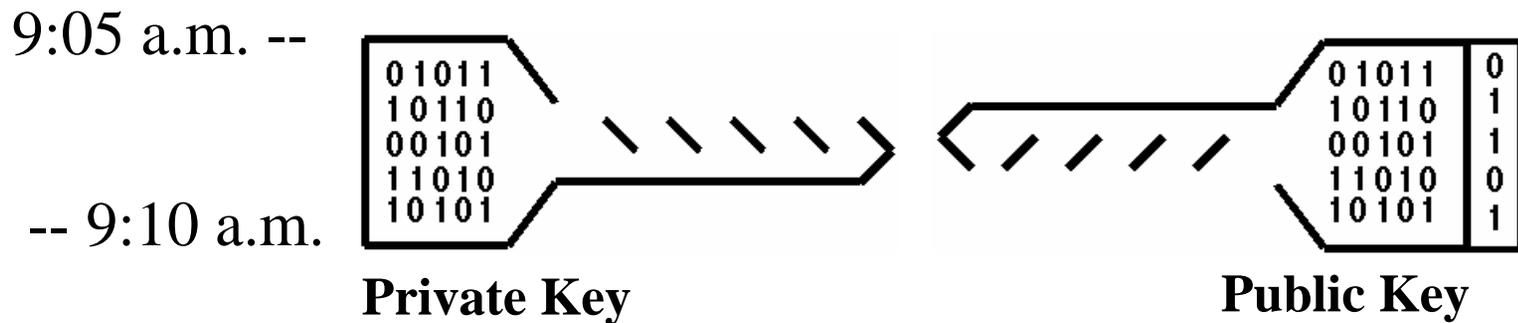


...And the New Key Pair Goes On Duty!

So What You Have 'After-the-Fact' For Any Interval Of Time Is Its Public Key...

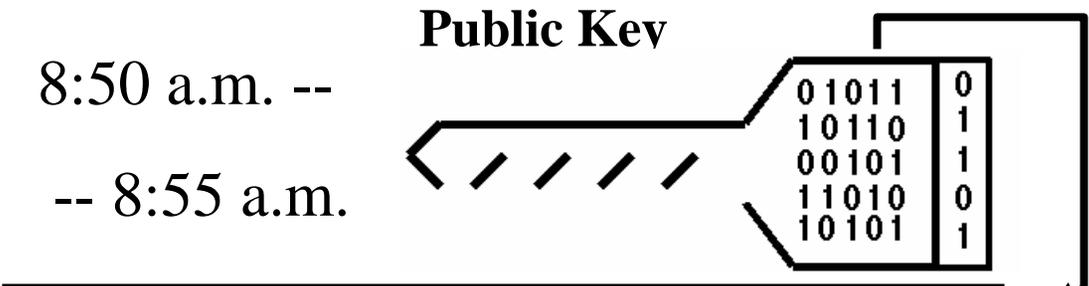


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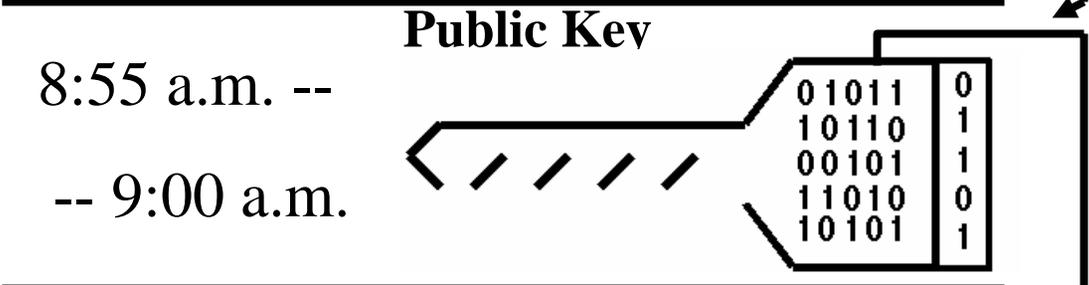




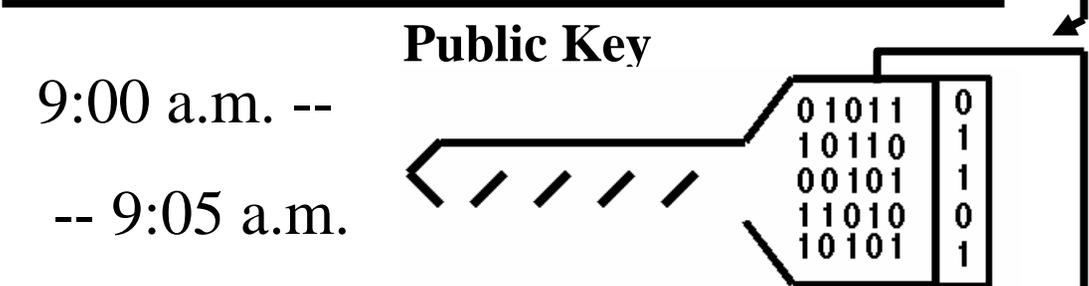
# PROOF space



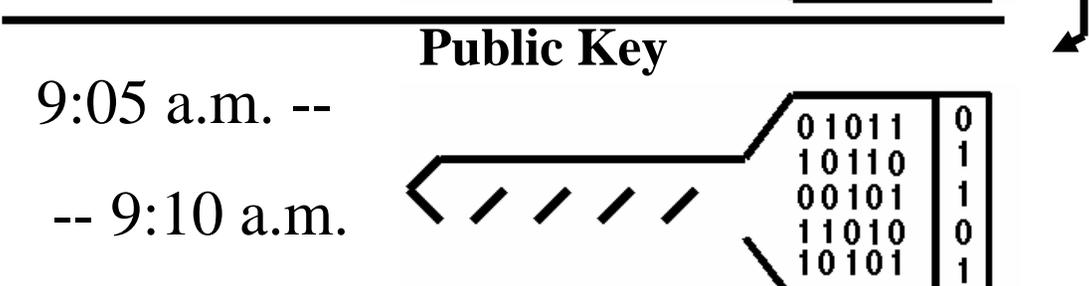
Prior Public Key  
Verifies Signature On  
New Public Key



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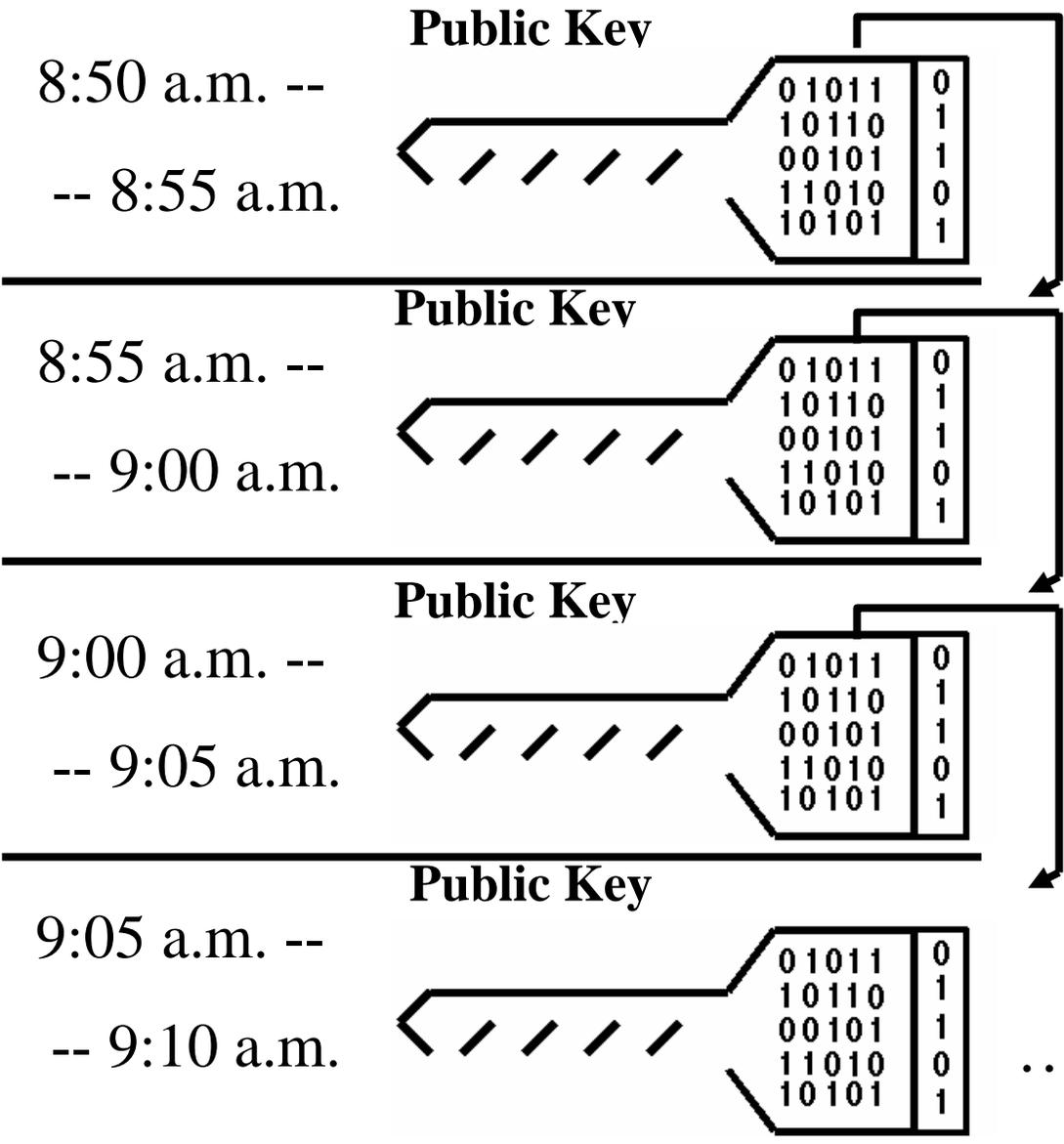


Prior Public Key  
Verifies Signature On  
New Public Key



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Verifies Signature On  
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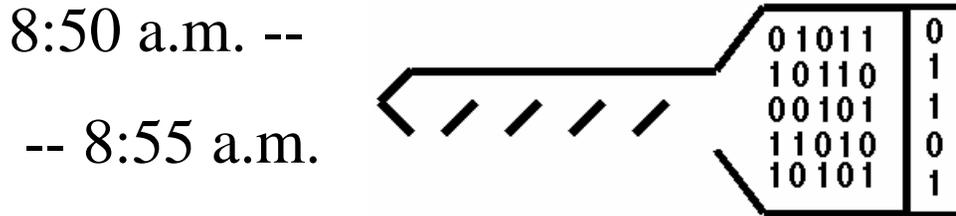


So We Form A  
Cryptographically  
Strong Chain Of Public  
Keys Going Back  
Through Time...

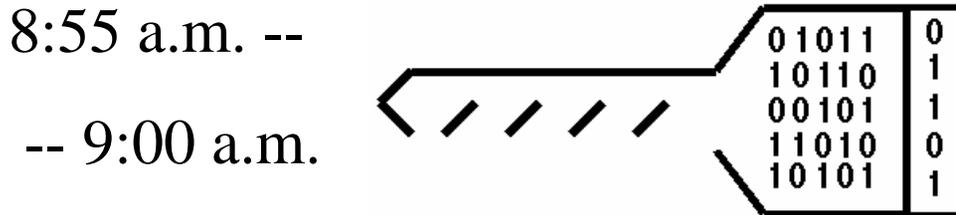
...Corresponding To Time!!

# PROOF space

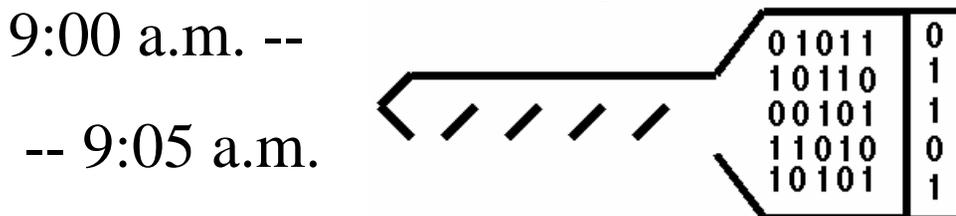
## Public Key



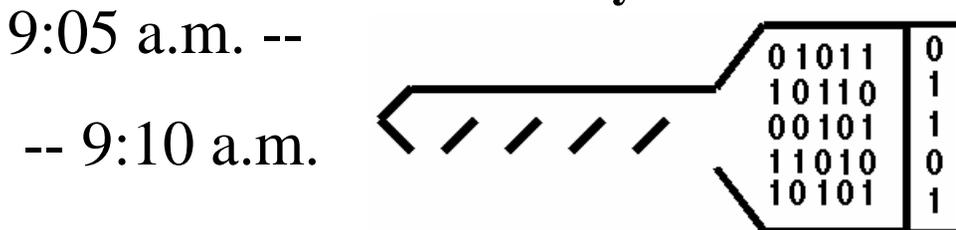
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So, There Are No  
Secrets To Protect...

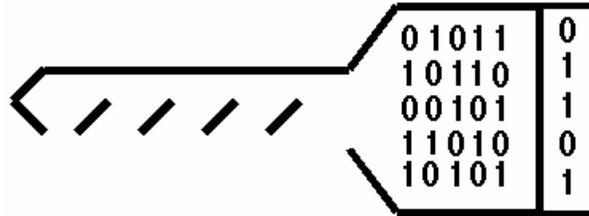
...Because there are No  
Secrets, We Can Take  
The Record Of Public  
Keys And Push Them  
Out For Public Access...

...In Fact We Can  
Make Them Part Of  
The Public Record.

# PROOF space

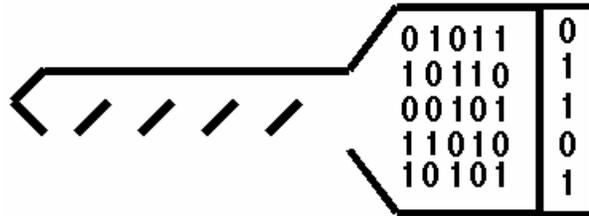
## Public Key

8:50 a.m. --  
-- 8:55 a.m.



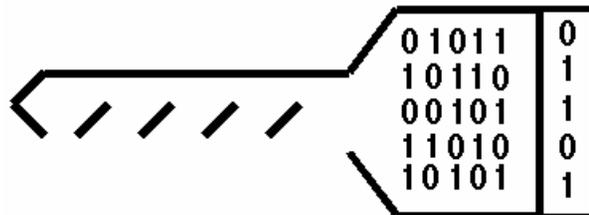
## Public Key

8:55 a.m. --  
-- 9:00 a.m.



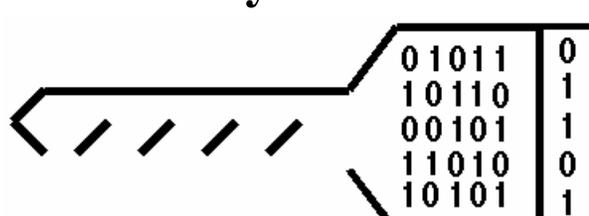
## Public Key

9:00 a.m. --  
-- 9:05 a.m.



## Public Key

9:05 a.m. --  
-- 9:10 a.m.



If You Then Take The  
ProofMark Certificate...

## ProofMark Certificate

### 1.) Original Data

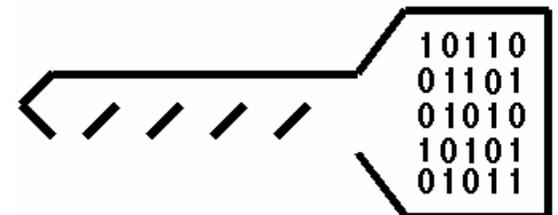
...010001100...

### 2.) Signature on data from Private Key

X35GJLA92XA!A69...

### 3.) Time Interval's Public Key

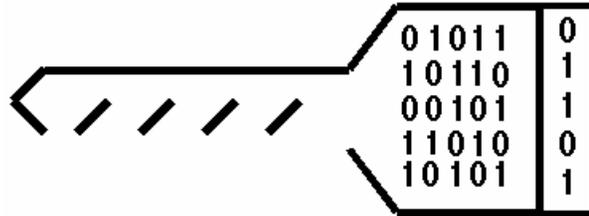
## Public Key



# Proof space

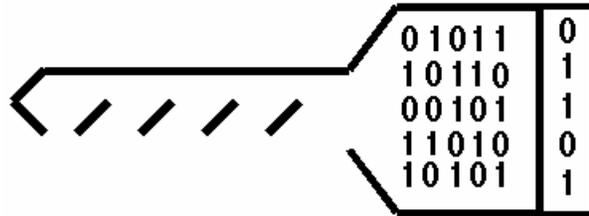
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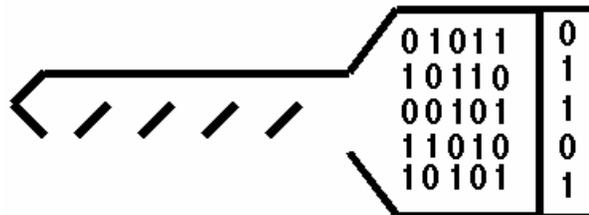
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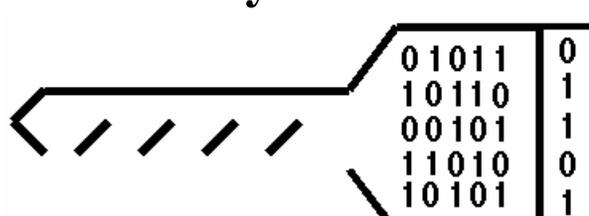
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And Compare the Public Key  
to the Public Key in the Chain

## ProofMark Certificate

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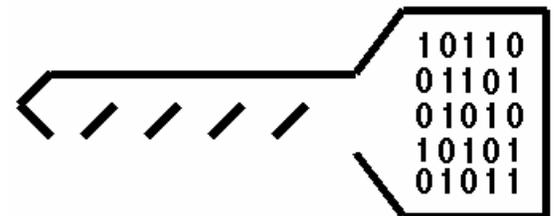
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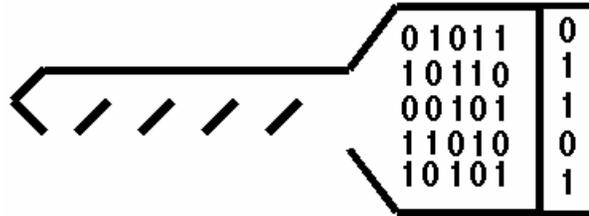
## Public Key



# PROOF space

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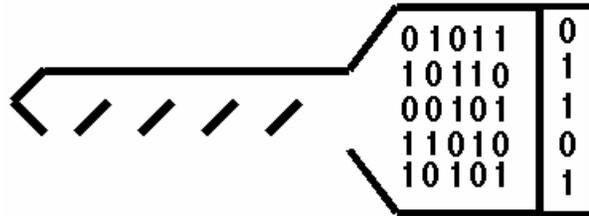
8:50 a.m. --  
-- 8:55 a.m.



*If The Keys Are The Same,  
Then You Have Proof Of Time!*

## Public Key

8:55 a.m. --  
-- 9:00 a.m.



## ProofMark Certificate

### 1.) Original Data

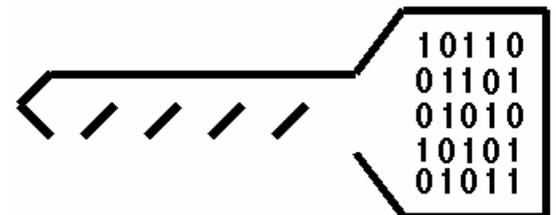
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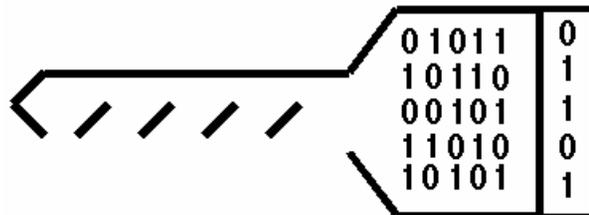
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## Public Key



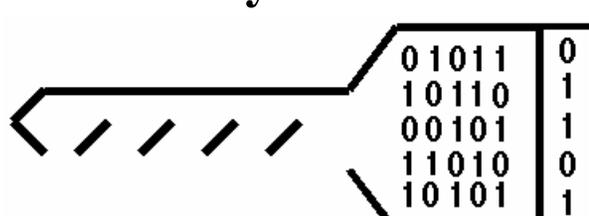
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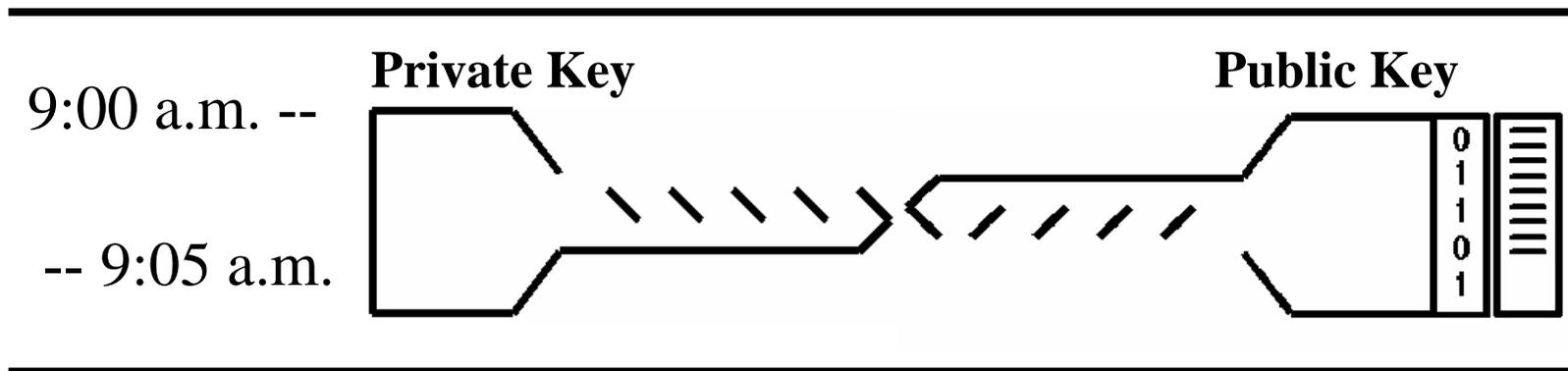
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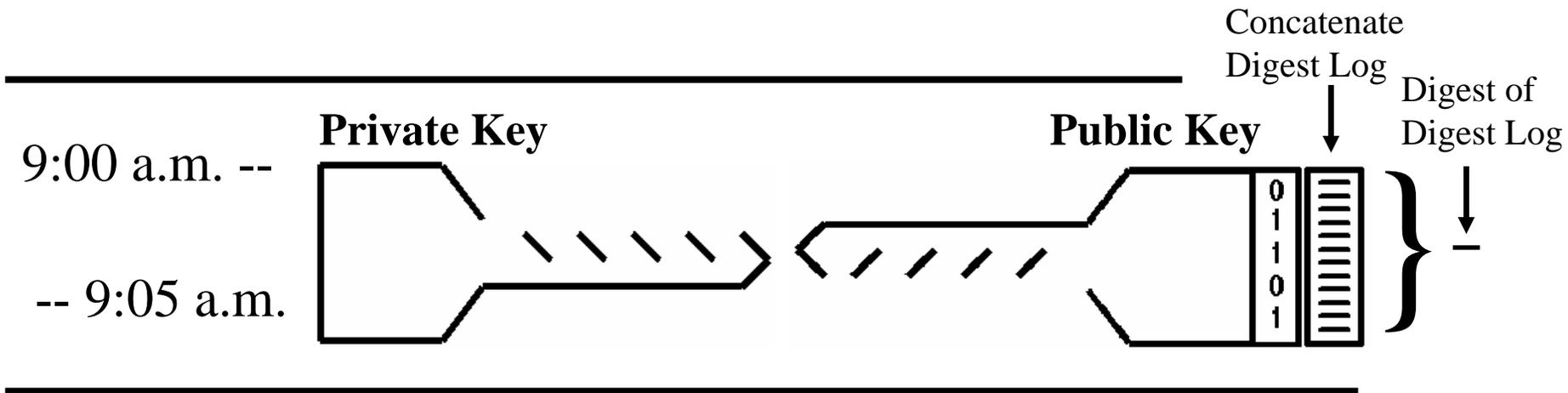


To further protect against the future compromise of a private key...

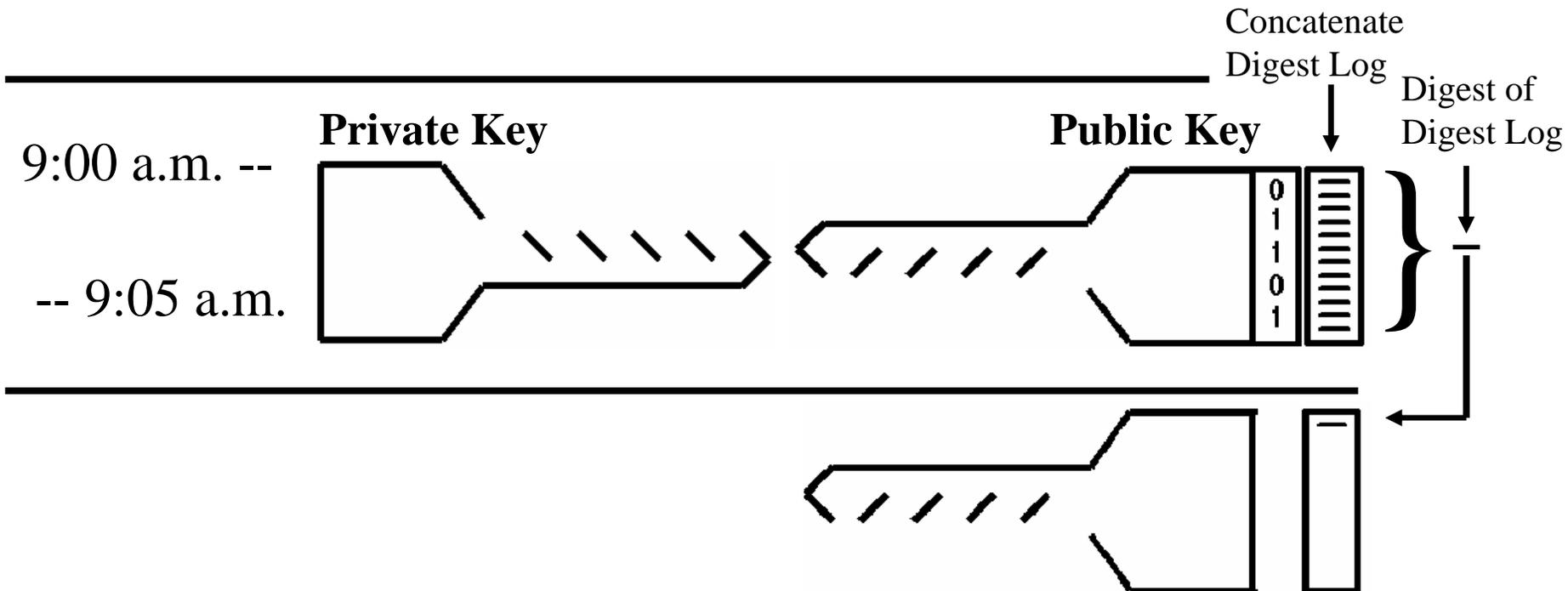
We create a concatenate digest log of all ProofMark requests



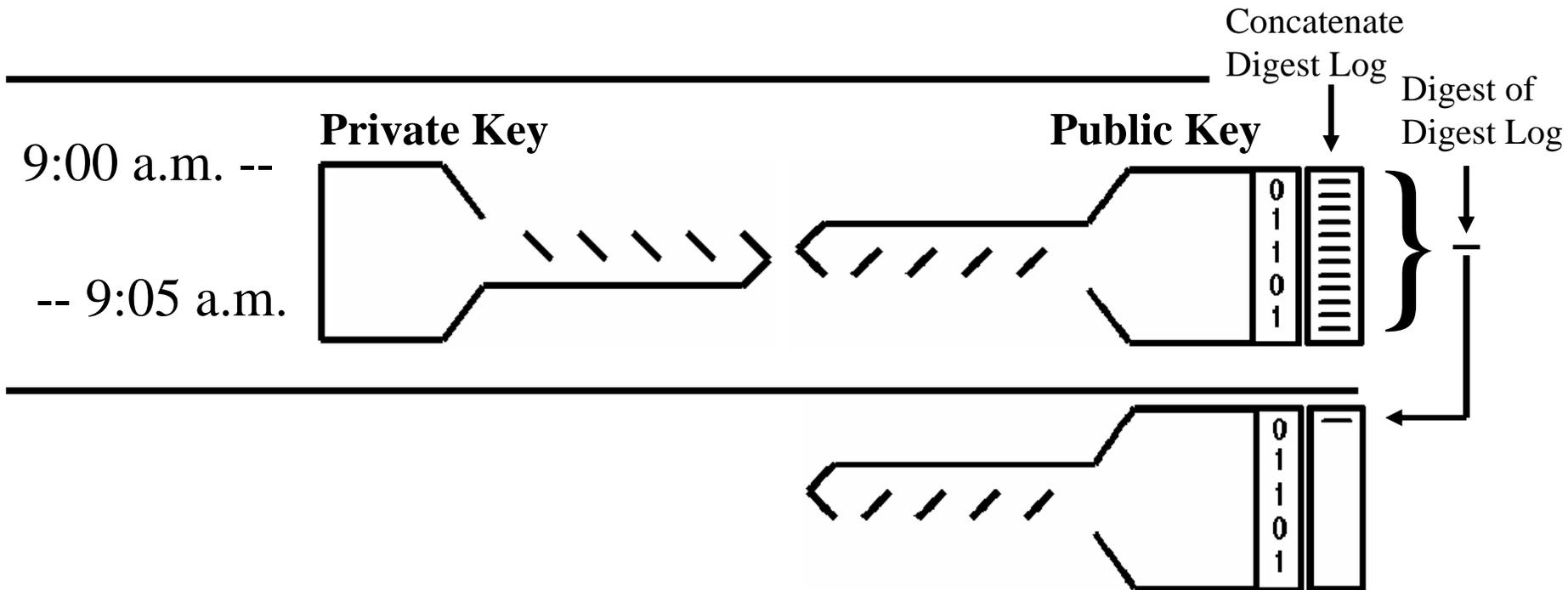
At the end of the interval, we create a digest from the digest log



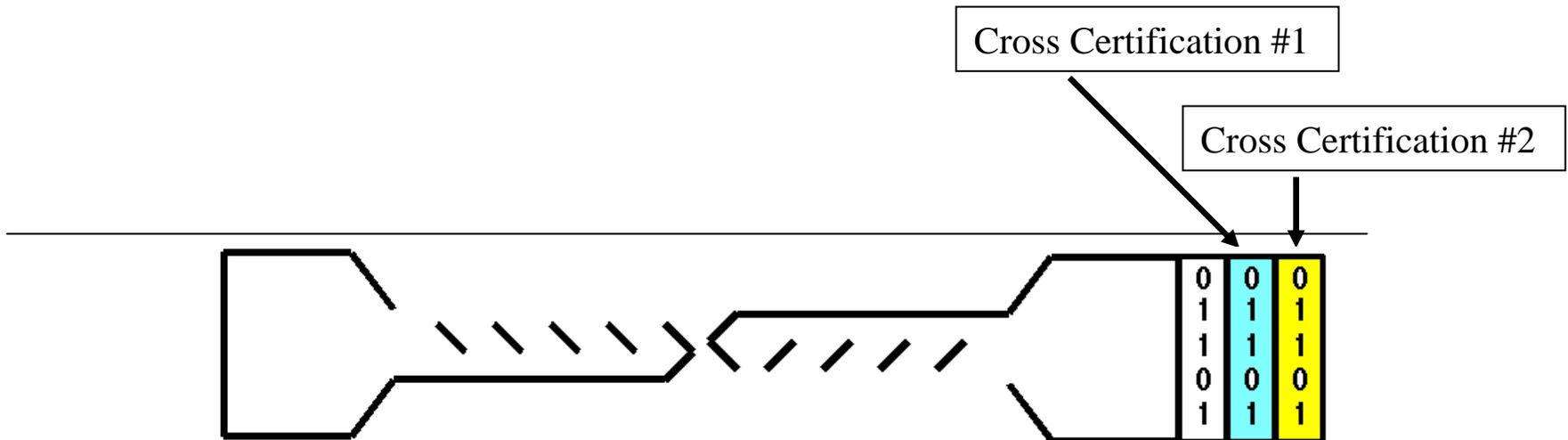
We then insert that digest into the new interval, prior to the signature by the prior private key



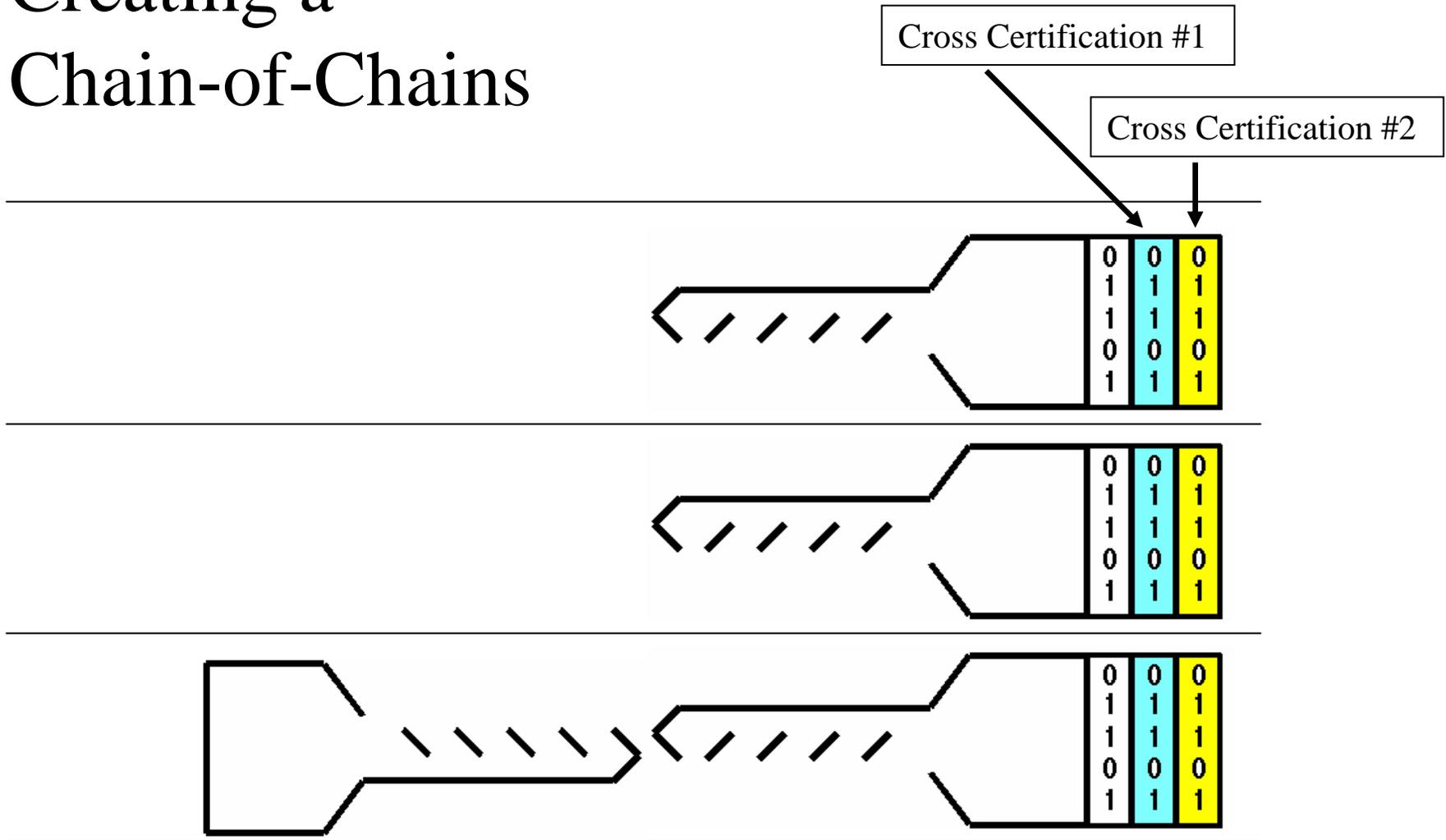
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As a final protection against the compromise of a single chain, we cross certify with 2 other instances of the ProofMark System



## Creating a Chain-of-Chains



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A ProofMark Certificate Is A Suffix Of Data That Can Be Used To Prove The Integrity And Proof Of Time Existence For A Given Set Of Data...

Original Data

...010001100...

ProofMark Certificate

...10010...

# A ProofMark Certificate Can Be Persisted...

## Separately

Original Data

...010001100...

ProofMark Certificate

...10010...

## Jointly

Original Data

...010001100...

ProofMark Certificate

...10010...

## Or Within Your Data

Original Data

...010001100...

ProofMark Certificate

...10010...

ProofMark...

Tangible Proof In A Digital World!